

House Resolution No. 1797

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State residents who have proven down through the years to be exemplary citizens in local communities and neighborhoods through the excellence of their achievements in the field of public safety; and

Whereas, David Deck has attained considerable distinction as the Assistant Chief of the Willard Fire Protection District; and

Whereas, on January 17, 2007, Assistant Chief David Deck enhanced his already impressive record of professional accomplishment when he was the first to arrive at the scene of a 911 call that had been placed by a lady who reported that her house was on fire; and

Whereas, upon his arrival, Assistant Chief David Deck discovered the old farm house was fully ablaze with flames showing through the roof and dense black smoke pouring out all of the openings; and

Whereas, Assistant Chief David Deck also saw the lady who placed the phone call standing on the front lawn and making every attempt possible within her means to draw attention and get help for her bedridden eighty-year-old husband who was still inside the house; and

Whereas, Assistant Chief David Deck and two arriving sheriff's deputies entered the house, searched through the choking smoke, located the gentleman in his bedroom, and carried him to safety; and

Whereas, thanks to Assistant Chief David Deck and the sheriff's deputies the only injuries sustained by the residents were smoke inhalation that were treated for at an area hospital and all of those involved eventually made a full recovery; and

Whereas, it is fitting and proper that the Missouri House of Representatives should pause in its diverse legislative endeavors in order to recognize such outstanding Missouri citizens as Assistant Chief David Deck at momentous times in their lives:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to salute Assistant Chief David Deck and to convey to him this legislative body's most heartfelt commendation of his heroic lifesaving efforts on January 17, 2007; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for presentation to Assistant Chief David Deck of the Willard Fire Protection District.

Offered by _____
Representative Shane Schoeller
District No. 139

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-fourth General Assembly, First Regular Session, do
certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. 1797, adopted April 5, 2007.

Rod Jetton, Speaker